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March 13th, 1855.

Vice President BRIDGES in the Chair.

Letters were read—

From Henry Piddington, Esq., dated Calcutta, 5th Dec. 1854, transmitting certain publications, intended for the Academy.

From the New York Lyceum of Natural History, dated 20th Feb. 1855, acknowledging the receipt of the Proceedings, Vol. 7, No. 6.

From the Trustees of the New York State Library, dated Albany, 5th Feb. 1855, also acknowledging the receipt of the Proceedings.

From the Secretary of the Smithsonian Institute, Washington, dated 8th March, 1855, acknowledging the receipt of a copy of the Preamble and Resolutions adopted by the Academy 27th Feb. last.

March 20th.

The President, Mr. ORD, in the Chair.

Letters were read—

From Dr. Hiram D. Prout, of St. Louis, dated March 9th, 1855, and from Professor Ernest Brücke, dated Vienna, 24th Dec. 1854, severally acknowledging the receipt of their notices of election as Correspondents.

March 27th.

Vice President BRIDGES in the Chair.

ELECTION.

Mr. Wm. Cadwalader, Mr. W. Frederick Rogers, and Mr. Isaac Barton of Philadelphia, were elected *Members*, and

Senor F. A. Sauvalle, of Havana, was elected a *Correspondent*.

April 3d.

Mr. LEA, Vice President, in the Chair.

Letters were read—

From the Imperial Society of Sciences, &c., of Lisle, transmitting Vol. 1 of their Memoirs, and acknowledging the receipt of Nos. of the Journal and Proceedings.

From the Trustees of the New York State Library, dated Albany, 23d March, 1855, acknowledging the receipt of the Proceedings, Vol. 7, No. 7.

Dr. LeConte presented for publication in the Proceedings, the following papers, viz :

“Synopsis of the Lathridiides of the United States, and contiguous Territories,” and “Analytical table of the species of Hydroporus, found